

Commission on Aging, Brookfield, CT
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 5, 2014

Betsy called the meeting to order at 12:00.

Present: Jeanette Holliday, Sue Balla, Betsy Mcllvaine, Carol Howe, Ellen Melville, Rich Groski

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

SENIOR CENTER

Although attendance has been down a little, due to inclement weather, Ellen said February activities have gone on pretty much as planned. The AARP free Tax Preparation Assistance is ongoing for low and middle income taxpayers. Ellen continues to accept names of people who are willing to work for seniors doing yard work and the like. She is in hopes of posting these names at the Center.

SOCIAL SERVICES

March and April will be busy months for Jeanette as she helps Brookfield residents seeking energy assistance. Private donations may be needed due to the extremely cold winter. She continues to assist seniors with health insurance needs.

BROOKS QUARRY

Since February first, thirty-three applications have been received. Recertification of renters is in the process. Meanwhile improvements continue to be made in adding vinyl flooring and step-in showers. Activities for Quarry residents continue to be well attended. A representative from Webster Bank presented a program on identity theft. There is a corn beef and cabbage lunch planned for March, In April Bagels with the Board will be held.

FISH

Ridership has been down a bit. Sue will write a blurb reminding seniors of the service. This will appear in the Brookfield Senior Center Newsletter. The Commission on Aging has its own E-mail address as follows: coaging@brookfieldct.gov. Betsy will schedule rides in April.

COMMISSION ON AGING

Sue has contacted Curt Symes, Newtown's COA chairman. He is willing to come to one of our meetings to help us with our Resource Guide for Brookfield. Sue will call and invite him to the April 2nd meeting. The American Heart Association is sponsoring National Walk Day to get people moving. Several routes for the April 2nd event will be in Brookfield. It is official that the Laurel Hill Apartments will build in Brookfield. Betsy will contact Katherine Daniels to see if we can become involved in some of the planning. Sue shared information from the State Commission on Aging thinking its website www.cga.ct.gov/coa might be of help to us.

ADJOURNMENT 1:00 pm.

Meeting notes submitted by Carol Howe